



Defense Agency Proposes Outsourcing More Spying

Contracts Worth \$1 Billion Would Set Record

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The Defense Intelligence Agency is preparing to pay private contractors up to

The proposed contracts, outlined in a recent early notice of the DIA's plans, re

Since 2000, the value of federal contracts signed by all agencies each year ha

The DIA did not specify exactly what it wants the contractors to do but said it is

The DIA's action comes a few months after CIA Director Michael V. Hayden, a

"Mind-blowing," was the reaction of Rep. Jan Schakowsky (D-Ill.), a member o

In its notice, published on a procurement Web site, the DIA said that "the total

A DIA spokesman, Cmdr. Terrence Sutherland, said this week that "this is the

In May, Schakowsky and Rep. David E. Price (D-N.C.) sponsored an amendm

Some activities, she said, are so sensitive that "if and when they are done," it

Price asked during the debate whether contractors should be involved in intell

In a statement Friday, Price questioned whether "a contract award of this scale

The DIA is the country's major manager and producer of foreign military intellig

Unlike the CIA, the DIA outsources the major analytical products known as all-

A former senior Pentagon intelligence official said yesterday that the DIA is str

The former official added that for years intelligence has not been a prime care

The war in Iraq has required the hiring of outside contractors by the Pentagon

In its report in June on the fiscal 2008 intelligence authorization bill, the Senate

The committee questioned the additional costs involved in using contractors, c

Many companies that provide contract workers to the CIA and Pentagon intelli

The CIA imposed a rule that former personnel cannot perform work with a CIA